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The references cited on the attached form PTO-1449 are being called to the attention of the Examiner. A copy of each foreign reference is enclosed, including English abstracts of DE 3,440,066 and FR 2,252,245.

The references show various bell crank mounting schemes. It is believed that the drawings in the various references should be adequate to illustrate relevance to the claimed subject matter.

It is respectfully requested that the cited information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "references cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

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